

THE TRANSMITTER

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Prepare-Prevent-Respond
“Eyes on America’s Soul”

From the Director

“He (the Lord) heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.” (Ps 147:3)

As I reflect upon my three months at the military hospital in Germany, the above verse comes to mind. Our joint service team cared for the wounded and injured soldiers and daily saw God use us as the agents of His care. The medical staff bound up the wounds, and the pastoral service team sought to bring healing to the human brokenness of minds and spirit. It was indeed one of the greatest privileges of my life to be able to care for these warriors, young and old, male and female. They are truly the American treasure. But the war continues, and the casualties keep coming. Both the soldiers and hospital staff need our continued prayers.

I need to ask for your forbearance while our office plays “catch-up ball.” Many of you know that Missie, our very capable administrative assistant, had surgery in November with a month of recovery. All this was during the time I was away. Therefore, applications, reports, returned phone calls, and many other details that we are usually on top of were put on hold. We are now working our way through these things. So, we appreciate your patience. I would also like to thank our new Chief of Chaplains, Charles Sharp, for filling in many of the gaps while I was away. He came into the office, looked over applications and made appointments. Lastly, I need to thank the leadership here at NHQ for allowing me the time away. By law, employers have to allow military leave for reservists, but the personal and institutional support I enjoyed from Civil Air Patrol was beyond the pale.

As we begin a new year, I hope to see our ranks continue to grow in numbers (Our Chaplain Service was one of the few CAP Membership categories that saw growth last year). We will soon start work on the next edition of *Values for Living*, and will be publishing a new edition of the *Chaplain Service Handbook*. Our staff college season is just around the corner and I hope everyone reading this communication will give serious consideration to attending the staff college in their region. These colleges mean much more than simply fulfilling requirements. They are our professional continuing education and should not be missed.

Thanks for all your prayers and support while I was deployed. God’s richest blessings be upon you in the new year.

Robert Hicks, Deputy Director



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Holy Days

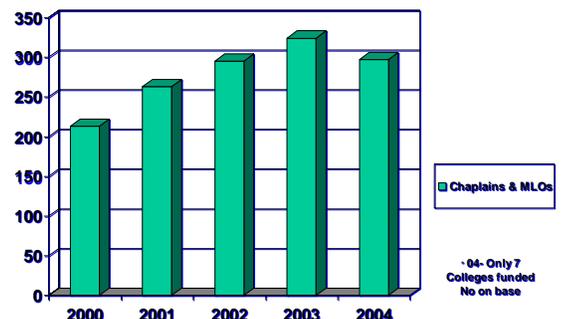
Jan 30- Feb 2 Hajj (Islam)
Feb 1- Four Chaplain’s Sunday (Interfaith)
Feb 22- New Year (Islam)
Feb 25- Ash Wednesday (Christian)
Mar 7- Purim (Jewish)
Mar 17- St. Patrick’s Day (Christian)
Mar 25- Good Friday (Christian)
Mar 27- Easter (Christian)

Chaplain Staff College Schedule Set

Even though funding for staff colleges was cut from eight to four colleges in ’05, the Region Chaplains decided to go ahead and plan eight colleges (one in each region) with half the funded monies. Make plans now to attend the college in your region. Let’s maintain the growth!

PACR- March 7-10, McCord AFB, WA
GLR- April 4-7, Wright-Patt AFB, OH
SWR- April 18-21, Ft. Worth NAS JRB, TX
NCR- April 25-28, Omaha, NE
SER- May 2-5, Leesburg, FL
NER- May 16-20, Newport NS, RI
RMR- May 18-20, Hill AFB, UT
MER- May 31- June 3, Seymour-Johnson AFB, NC

CS Region Staff College Attendance





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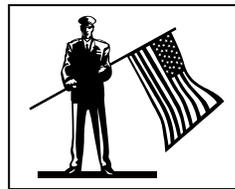
New Appointments

Chaplains

Alphonsus Duran- PR
 Gail Axen- NE
 James Watanabe- TX
 Anthony Giunta- MA
 Jose Serrano- TX
 Raymond Pettit- AL
 James Herdon- NY
 Morris Courtright- AZ
 Jerry Readle- CO
 James Roberts- AZ
 Peter Preble- MA

Moral Leadership Officers

Lee Schmidt- MO
 Scott Picton- SC
 Brian Carlton- WI
 John Ureke- TX
 Melvin Bridges- AZ
 Kevin Tillet- VA
 Clyde Altum- CO
 Craig Durham- CA
 Scott Thibault- VT
 Kent Williams- OH
 Nancy Akerson- NV
 Mavis MacDonell- NV
 Barbara Henderek- NJ
 Anna Scheidly- NJ
 James Rueve- MO



Chaplains Serving DoD Units

The following CAP Chaplains have reported serving various units:
 Ch, Lt Col **Whit Woodard**, PCR HC, serving the 328th Combat Support Hospital (USAR).
 Ch, Maj. **Richard Lionberger**, MO Sq. chaplain, serves the 139th Airlift Wing, Missouri ANG, and the 189th Ordinance Co., USAR.
 Ch, Lt Col **Edward J. Young**, KY Sq serves the 206th ARNG in KY and the 278th Army NG E troop, in TN.



TAPS: Chaplain Jackson

Chaplain, Lt Col Thomas Jackson went home to be with his Lord on January 1, 2005 after an extended illness. Chaplain Jackson, NM Wing Chaplain, served faithfully for over 50 years in the "blue suit." He was commissioned an USAF chaplain in 1952 and served during the Korean War. He continued service in the Air Force Reserve, the Air National Guard and Civil Air Patrol. A licensed pilot holding commercial and jet ratings, he also flew search and rescue missions for CAP. He once served as Utah Wing Commander but he especially loved teaching the moral leadership sessions to cadets at Kirkland AFB, NM. He received numerous commendations during his outstanding military and civilian career. A memorial service was held on January 7, 2005, in Albuquerque. Welcome home faithful servant!

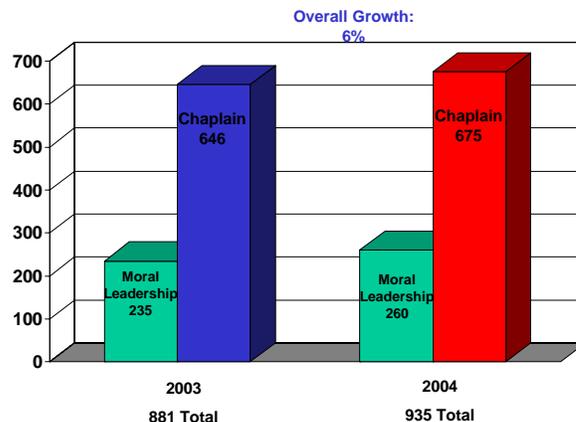
If you are serving DoD units, contact Chaplain Charles Sharp at csharpmajor@juno.com or Bob Hicks at rhicks@cap.gov.

Remember ever; and always, you're your country was founded...by the stern old Puritans who made the deck of the Mayflower an altar of the living God, and whose first act on touching the soil of the new world was to offer on bended knees thanksgiving to Almighty God.

Henry Wilson,
 18th U.S. Vice President under
 Ulysses S. Grant

Chaplain Service Shows 6% Growth in 2004

Chaplain Service Personnel



CAP National
 Commander
MG Dwight Wheless

Executive Director
Albert A. Allenback

CAP-USAF
 Commander
Col George C. Vogt

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 Chaplain Services
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The Tool Box

Chaplain/MLO
Resources

VA Wing Chaplain, Rob Edwards recommends the following books for chaplains and moral leadership officers:

Cole, Robert. *Lives of Moral Leadership*, Random House, 2000

O'Leary, Jeff, (Col, USAF ret.) *The Centurion Principles: Battlefield Lessons for Frontline Leaders*. Nelson Business, 2004

Check the new CAP Pub, *Mentoring: Building Our Members* (CAPP 50-7)

Chaplain Sharp Sets Service Goals

CAP Chief of Chaplain Service, Col. Charles Sharp has set his 05 goals:

1. Maintain a Chaplain Service personnel growth of 4.5%
2. Increase the number of personnel achieving training levels to: I-100%; II 50%; III 35%, IV 30%, V 20%
3. See 50% of Chaplains become Mission Qualified

FY 2005 Courses at Knoxville, TN

The Air National Guard's Academy for Innovative Ministry continues to authorize our Chaplain Service personnel to attend courses. The training is free, but travel, meals and billeting must be covered by the individual. Those interested in attending must obtain commander approval verifying completion of Level Two and Wear of the AF- Style Uniform. Commander approvals must be forwarded on a CAPF 17 to the Director at HQ who will work the selection with ANG. **DO NOT CONTACT MCGHEE-TYSON DIRECTLY!**

8-9	Mar 05	ASIST: Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training
10-11	Mar 05	CISM Advanced Group Intervention (Basic Required)
12-13	Apr 05	ASIST Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training
14-15	Apr 05	CISM: Terrorism: Psychological Impact and Interventions
12-13	May 05	CISM: Group Crisis Intervention

*NOTE: Some courses are back-to-back, thus allowing you to take two courses in four days. This is a better use of funds. A separate Form 17 is required for each course. You need to complete only the Basic CISM course to serve on a CAP CISM team; the other courses are highly valuable for your professional and pastoral development. All courses are held at McGhee-Tyson ANG Base, Knoxville, TN.

Chaplains Assist Members Following Plane Crash

On September 25, 2004, a plane crash occurred at the Fullerton Airport during an air show/open house. Cadets from three local squadrons were working the flight-line and senior members were manning the recruiting booth. One of our chaplains, Ch (Maj) Chuck Ingram, was there. The three-engine airplane, a 1986 replica of a 1920's era Ford Tri-Motor, developed mechanical problems. It had been serviced on Friday, and before taking up paying customers, was going up for a test run. As the plane took off, it veered. In its climb, the left wing dropped, almost hitting the control tower and missing the crowd. The plane crashed on nearby Commonwealth Avenue, critically injuring two men on board. The pilot did an outstanding job of keeping the plane away from both the crowd and buildings on the airport.

Chaplain Ingram was instrumental in bringing calm to the cadets and seniors who had witnessed the accident and helped to make sure all the cadets were accounted for. The cadets and senior members were later tasked by the Fullerton Police Department to assist with crowd control. Chaplain Ingram had the cadets call their parents to let them know that they were safe. Before any of our CAP members left, he conducted a CISM defusing. When it was learned that a couple of cadets from Squadron 45 had left, Ch, (Lt Col.) Jack Nahrstadt was contacted. He met with the cadets as well. Between these two chaplains, members of the CAWG received a great deal of personal ministry.

According to Wing Chaplain Paul Ward, "Ministry of Presence' is not just a motto or a catchy phrase thrown around in the chaplain service...it is a way of life. I would encourage you to participate in the events in which our members are involved. You never know when your training and services will be needed."

(Taken from *Sky Pilot Trails*, CA Wing Chaplain Service Newsletter)



Ford Tri-Motor about to crash at Fullerton Airport, California



Chaplain Chuck Ingram

Your New Leadership Team

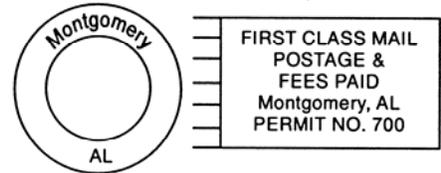
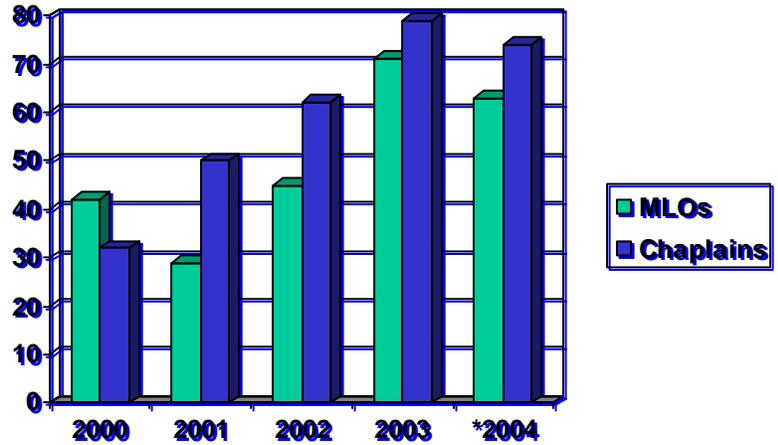
Chaplain Service Executive Council (CSEC)

- Ch, Col Charles E. Sharp, National Chief & Chairman
- Ch, Lt Col Daniel Dyer, Deputy & Staff College Dean
- Ch, Lt Col Eugene Packer, Secretary
- Ch, Col James H. Melancon, Chief Emeritus

Special Assistants to the National Chief

- Ch, Col Dave Van Horn, Former National Chief
- Ch, Col John Murdoch, Administration
- Col Bryan Cooper, Moral Leadership Officers
- Ch, Lt Col Kenneth Van Loon, Recruiting & Retention
- Ch, Lt Col Harold Johnson, Recruiting
- Ch, Maj Rabbi Jeffrey L. Ballon, Jewish Chaplains
- Ch, Lt Col James W. Hughes, Publication Specialist
- Ch, Capt Karen L. Onesti, Women in Chaplain Service

Chaplain Service Adds 139 New Members in 04



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